## **REMARKS**

This application is a national stage application from International Application No. PCT JP2003/015328 filed December 1, 2003. Applicant has cancelled claim 1 and presented the scope of original claim 1 in a manner in conformity U.S. practice. Claims 2, 3 and 5-7 have been amended to reflect the cancellation of claim 1. Applicant has amended the headings to comply with U.S. practice.

Entry of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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